INVERTER ARC TM 120

For use with machines having Code Numbers: 11565

Safety Depends on You

Century® arc welding and cutting equipment is designed and built with safety in mind. However, your overall safety can be increased by proper installation ... and thoughtful operation on your part. DO NOT INSTALL, OPERATE OR REPAIR THIS EQUIPMENT WITHOUT READING THIS MANUAL AND THE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS CONTAINED THROUGHOUT. And, most importantly, think before you act and be careful.



OPERATOR'S MANUAL





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A WARNING

CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 WARNINGS

Diesel engine exhaust and some of its constituents are known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, and other reproductive harm.

The Above For Diesel Engines

The engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.

The Above For Gasoline Engines

ARC WELDING CAN BE HAZARDOUS. PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS FROM POSSIBLE SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.
KEEP CHILDREN AWAY. PACEMAKER WEARERS SHOULD CONSULT WITH THEIR DOCTOR BEFORE OPERATING.

Read and understand the following safety highlights. For additional safety information, it is strongly recommended that you purchase a copy of "Safety in Welding & Cutting - ANSI Standard Z49.1" from the American Welding Society, P.O. Box 351040, Miami, Florida 33135 or CSA Standard W117.2-1974. A Free copy of "Arc Welding Safety" booklet E205 is available from the Lincoln Electric Company, 22801 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44117-1199.

BE SURE THAT ALL INSTALLATION, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR PROCEDURES ARE PERFORMED ONLY BY QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS.



FOR ENGINE powered equipment.

 Turn the engine off before troubleshooting and maintenance work unless the maintenance work requires it to be running.



 Deperate engines in open, well-ventilated areas or vent the engine exhaust fumes outdoors.



- 1.c. Do not add the fuel near an open flame welding arc or when the engine is running. Stop the engine and allow it to cool before refueling to prevent spilled fuel from vaporizing on contact with hot engine parts and igniting. Do not spill fuel when filling tank. If fuel is spilled, wipe it up and do not start engine until fumes have been eliminated.
- 1.d. Keep all equipment safety guards, covers and devices in position and in good repair. Keep hands, hair, clothing and tools away from V-belts, gears, fans and all other moving parts when starting, operating or repairing equipment.
- 1.e. In some cases it may be necessary to remove safety guards to perform required maintenance. Remove guards only when necessary and replace them when the maintenance requiring their removal is complete. Always use the greatest care when working near moving parts.



- 1.f. Do not put your hands near the engine fan. Do not attempt to override the governor or idler by pushing on the throttle control rods while the engine is running.
- 1.g. To prevent accidentally starting gasoline engines while turning the engine or welding generator during maintenance work, disconnect the spark plug wires, distributor cap or magneto wire as appropriate.



 To avoid scalding, do not remove the radiator pressure cap when the engine is hot



ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC FIELDS may be dangerous

- 2.a. Electric current flowing through any conductor causes localized Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF). Welding current creates EMF fields around welding cables and welding machines
- 2.b. EMF fields may interfere with some pacemakers, and welders having a pacemaker should consult their physician before welding.
- Exposure to EMF fields in welding may have other health effects which are now not known.
- 2.d. All welders should use the following procedures in order to minimize exposure to EMF fields from the welding circuit:
 - 2.d.1. Route the electrode and work cables together Secure them with tape when possible.
 - 2.d.2. Never coil the electrode lead around your body.
 - 2.d.3. Do not place your body between the electrode and work cables. If the electrode cable is on your right side, the work cable should also be on your right side.
 - 2.d.4. Connect the work cable to the workpiece as close as possible to the area being welded.
 - 2.d.5. Do not work next to welding power source.

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ELECTRIC SHOCK can

kill.

- 3.a. The electrode and work (or ground) circuits are electrically "hot" when the welder is on. Do not touch these "hot" parts with your bare skin or wet clothing. Wear dry, hole-free gloves to insulate hands.
- 3.b. Insulate yourself from work and ground using dry insulation. Make certain the insulation is large enough to cover your full area of physical contact with work and ground.

In addition to the normal safety precautions, if welding must be performed under electrically hazardous conditions (in damp locations or while wearing wet clothing; on metal structures such as floors, gratings or scaffolds; when in cramped positions such as sitting, kneeling or lying, if there is a high risk of unavoidable or accidental contact with the workpiece or ground) use the following equipment:

- Semiautomatic DC Constant Voltage (Wire) Welder.
- DC Manual (Stick) Welder.
- AC Welder with Reduced Voltage Control.
- 3.c. In semiautomatic or automatic wire welding, the electrode, electrode reel, welding head, nozzle or semiautomatic welding gun are also electrically "hot".
- 3.d. Always be sure the work cable makes a good electrical connection with the metal being welded. The connection should be as close as possible to the area being welded.
- 3.e. Ground the work or metal to be welded to a good electrical (earth) ground.
- 3.f. Maintain the electrode holder, work clamp, welding cable and welding machine in good, safe operating condition. Replace damaged insulation.
- 3.g. Never dip the electrode in water for cooling.
- 3.h. Never simultaneously touch electrically "hot" parts of electrode holders connected to two welders because voltage between the two can be the total of the open circuit voltage of both welders.
- When working above floor level, use a safety belt to protect yourself from a fall should you get a shock.
- 3.j. Also see Items 6.c. and 8.



ARC RAYS can burn.

- 4.a. Use a shield with the proper filter and cover plates to protect your eyes from sparks and the rays of the arc when welding or observing open arc welding. Headshield and filter lens should conform to ANSI Z87. I standards.
- 4.b. Use suitable clothing made from durable flame-resistant material to protect your skin and that of your helpers from the arc rays.
- 4.c. Protect other nearby personnel with suitable, non-flammable screening and/or warn them not to watch the arc nor expose themselves to the arc rays or to hot spatter or metal.



FUMES AND GASES can be dangerous.

5.a. Welding may produce fumes and gases hazardous to health. Avoid breathing these fumes and gases. When welding, keep your head out of the fume. Use enough ventilation and/or exhaust at the arc to keep

fumes and gases away from the breathing zone. When welding with electrodes which require special ventilation such as stainless or hard facing (see instructions on container or MSDS) or on lead or cadmium plated steel and other metals or coatings which produce highly toxic fumes, keep exposure as low as possible and within applicable OSHA PEL and ACGIH TLV limits using local exhaust or mechanical ventilation. In confined spaces or in some circumstances, outdoors, a respirator may be required. Additional precautions are also required when welding on galvanized steel.

- 5. b. The operation of welding fume control equipment is affected by various factors including proper use and positioning of the equipment, maintenance of the equipment and the specific welding procedure and application involved. Worker exposure level should be checked upon installation and periodically thereafter to be certain it is within applicable OSHA PEL and ACGIH TLV limits.
- 5.c. Do not weld in locations near chlorinated hydrocarbon vapors coming from degreasing, cleaning or spraying operations. The heat and rays of the arc can react with solvent vapors to form phosgene, a highly toxic gas, and other irritating products.
- 5.d. Shielding gases used for arc welding can displace air and cause injury or death. Always use enough ventilation, especially in confined areas, to insure breathing air is safe.
- 5.e. Read and understand the manufacturer's instructions for this equipment and the consumables to be used, including the material safety data sheet (MSDS) and follow your employer's safety practices. MSDS forms are available from your welding distributor or from the manufacturer.
- 5.f. Also see item 1.b.





WELDING and CUTTING SPARKS can cause fire or explosion.

6.a. Remove fire hazards from the welding area. If this is not possible, cover them to prevent the welding sparks from starting a fire.

Remember that welding sparks and hot materials from welding can easily go through small cracks and openings to adjacent areas. Avoid welding near hydraulic lines. Have a fire extinguisher readily available.

- 6.b. Where compressed gases are to be used at the job site, special precautions should be used to prevent hazardous situations. Refer to "Safety in Welding and Cutting" (ANSI Standard Z49.1) and the operating information for the equipment being used.
- 6.c. When not welding, make certain no part of the electrode circuit is touching the work or ground. Accidental contact can cause overheating and create a fire hazard.
- 6.d. Do not heat, cut or weld tanks, drums or containers until the proper steps have been taken to insure that such procedures will not cause flammable or toxic vapors from substances inside. They can cause an explosion even though they have been "cleaned". For information, purchase "Recommended Safe Practices for the Preparation for Welding and Cutting of Containers and Piping That Have Held Hazardous Substances," AWS F4.1 from the American Welding Society (see address above).
- 6.e. Vent hollow castings or containers before heating, cutting or welding. They may explode.
- 6.f. Sparks and spatter are thrown from the welding arc. Wear oil free protective garments such as leather gloves, heavy shirt, cuffless trousers, high shoes and a cap over your hair. Wear ear plugs when welding out of position or in confined places. Always wear safety glasses with side shields when in a welding area.
- 6.g. Connect the work cable to the work as close to the welding area as practical. Work cables connected to the building framework or other locations away from the welding area increase the possibility of the welding current passing through lifting chains, crane cables or other alternate circuits. This can create fire hazards or overheat lifting chains or cables until they fail.
- 6.h. Also see item 1.c.
- 6.I. Read and follow NFPA 51B "Standard for Fire Prevention During Welding, Cutting and Other Hot Work," available from NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, PO box 9101, Quincy, Ma 022690-9101.
- 6.j. Do not use a welding power source for pipe thawing.



CYLINDER may explode if damaged.

7.a. Use only compressed gas cylinders containing the correct shielding gas for the process used and properly operating regulators designed for the gas and used. All hoses, fittings, etc. should be suitable for

pressure used. All hoses, fittings, etc. should be suitable for the application and maintained in good condition.

- 7.b. Always keep cylinders in an upright position securely chained to an undercarriage or fixed support.
- 7.c. Cylinders should be located:
 - Away from areas where they may be struck or subjected to physical damage.
 - A safe distance from arc welding or cutting operations and any other source of heat, sparks, or flame.
- 7.d. Never allow the electrode, electrode holder or any other electrically "hot" parts to touch a cylinder.
- Keep your head and face away from the cylinder valve outlet when opening the cylinder valve.
- 7.f. Valve protection caps should always be in place and hand tight except when the cylinder is in use or connected for use.
- 7.g. Read and follow the instructions on compressed gas cylinders, associated equipment, and CGA publication P-I, "Precautions for Safe Handling of Compressed Gases in Cylinders," available from the Compressed Gas Association 1235 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.



FOR ELECTRICALLY powered equipment.

- 8.a. Turn off input power using the disconnect switch at the fuse box before working on the equipment.
- 8.b. Install equipment in accordance with the U.S. National Electrical Code, all local codes and the manufacturer's recommendations.
- 8.c. Ground the equipment in accordance with the U.S. National Electrical Code and the manufacturer's recommendations.

Refer to http://www.lincolnelectric.com/safety for additional safety information.



PRÉCAUTIONS DE SÛRETÉ

Pour votre propre protection lire et observer toutes les instructions et les précautions de sûreté specifiques qui parraissent dans ce manuel aussi bien que les précautions de sûreté générales suivantes:

Sûreté Pour Soudage A L'Arc

- 1. Protegez-vous contre la secousse électrique:
 - a. Les circuits à l'électrode et à la piéce sont sous tension quand la machine à souder est en marche. Eviter toujours tout contact entre les parties sous tension et la peau nue ou les vétements mouillés. Porter des gants secs et sans trous pour isoler les mains.
 - b. Faire trés attention de bien s'isoler de la masse quand on soude dans des endroits humides, ou sur un plancher metallique ou des grilles metalliques, principalement dans les positions assis ou couché pour lesquelles une grande partie du corps peut être en contact avec la masse.
 - c. Maintenir le porte-électrode, la pince de masse, le câble de soudage et la machine à souder en bon et sûr état defonctionnement.
 - d.Ne jamais plonger le porte-électrode dans l'eau pour le refroidir.
 - e. Ne jamais toucher simultanément les parties sous tension des porte-électrodes connectés à deux machines à souder parce que la tension entre les deux pinces peut être le total de la tension à vide des deux machines.
 - f. Si on utilise la machine à souder comme une source de courant pour soudage semi-automatique, ces precautions pour le porte-électrode s'applicuent aussi au pistolet de soudage.
- Dans le cas de travail au dessus du niveau du sol, se protéger contre les chutes dans le cas ou on recoit un choc. Ne jamais enrouler le câble-électrode autour de n'importe quelle partie du corps.
- Un coup d'arc peut être plus sévère qu'un coup de soliel, donc:
 - a. Utiliser un bon masque avec un verre filtrant approprié ainsi qu'un verre blanc afin de se protéger les yeux du rayonnement de l'arc et des projections quand on soude ou quand on regarde l'arc.
 - Porter des vêtements convenables afin de protéger la peau de soudeur et des aides contre le rayonnement de l'arc.
 - c. Protéger l'autre personnel travaillant à proximité au soudage à l'aide d'écrans appropriés et non-inflammables.
- 4. Des gouttes de laitier en fusion sont émises de l'arc de soudage. Se protéger avec des vêtements de protection libres de l'huile, tels que les gants en cuir, chemise épaisse, pantalons sans revers, et chaussures montantes.
- Toujours porter des lunettes de sécurité dans la zone de soudage. Utiliser des lunettes avec écrans lateraux dans les zones où l'on pique le laitier.

- Eloigner les matériaux inflammables ou les recouvrir afin de prévenir tout risque d'incendie dû aux étincelles.
- Quand on ne soude pas, poser la pince à une endroit isolé de la masse. Un court-circuit accidental peut provoquer un échauffement et un risque d'incendie.
- 8. S'assurer que la masse est connectée le plus prés possible de la zone de travail qu'il est pratique de le faire. Si on place la masse sur la charpente de la construction ou d'autres endroits éloignés de la zone de travail, on augmente le risque de voir passer le courant de soudage par les chaines de levage, câbles de grue, ou autres circuits. Cela peut provoquer des risques d'incendie ou d'echauffement des chaines et des câbles jusqu'à ce qu'ils se rompent.
- Assurer une ventilation suffisante dans la zone de soudage.
 Ceci est particuliérement important pour le soudage de tôles galvanisées plombées, ou cadmiées ou tout autre métal qui produit des fumeés toxiques.
- 10. Ne pas souder en présence de vapeurs de chlore provenant d'opérations de dégraissage, nettoyage ou pistolage. La chaleur ou les rayons de l'arc peuvent réagir avec les vapeurs du solvant pour produire du phosgéne (gas fortement toxique) ou autres produits irritants.
- Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements sur la sûreté, voir le code "Code for safety in welding and cutting" CSA Standard W 117.2-1974.

PRÉCAUTIONS DE SÛRETÉ POUR LES MACHINES À SOUDER À TRANSFORMATEUR ET À REDRESSEUR

- Relier à la terre le chassis du poste conformement au code de l'électricité et aux recommendations du fabricant. Le dispositif de montage ou la piece à souder doit être branché à une bonne mise à la terre.
- 2. Autant que possible, l'installation et l'entretien du poste seront effectués par un électricien qualifié.
- 3. Avant de faires des travaux à l'interieur de poste, la debrancher à l'interrupteur à la boite de fusibles.
- 4. Garder tous les couvercles et dispositifs de sûreté à leur place.



Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)

Conformance

Products displaying the CE mark are in conformity with European Community Council Directive of 3 May 1989 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility (89/336/EEC). It was manufactured in conformity with a national standard that implements a harmonized standard: **EN 60974-10** Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Product Standard for Arc Welding Equipment. It is for use with other Lincoln Electric equipment. It is designed for industrial and professional use.

Introduction

All electrical equipment generates small amounts of electromagnetic emission. Electrical emission may be transmitted through power lines or radiated through space, similar to a radio transmitter. When emissions are received by other equipment, electrical interference may result. Electrical emissions may affect many kinds of electrical equipment; other nearby welding equipment, radio and TV reception, numerical controlled machines, telephone systems, computers, etc. Be aware that interference may result and extra precautions may be required when a welding power source is used in a domestic establishment.

Installation and Use

The user is responsible for installing and using the welding equipment according to the manufacturer's instructions. If electromagnetic disturbances are detected then it shall be the responsibility of the user of the welding equipment to resolve the situation with the technical assistance of the manufacturer. In some cases this remedial action may be as simple as earthing (grounding) the welding circuit, see Note. In other cases it could involve construction of an electromagnetic screen enclosing the power source and the work complete with associated input filters. In all cases electromagnetic disturbances must be reduced to the point where they are no longer troublesome.

Note: The welding circuit may or may not be earthed for safety reasons according to national codes. Changing the earthing arrangements should only be authorized by a person who is competent to access whether the changes will increase the risk of injury, e.g., by allowing parallel welding current return paths which may damage the earth circuits of other equipment.

Assessment of Area

Before installing welding equipment the user shall make an assessment of potential electromagnetic problems in the surrounding area. The following shall be taken into account:

- a) other supply cables, control cables, signaling and telephone cables; above, below and adjacent to the welding equipment;
- b) radio and television transmitters and receivers;
- c) computer and other control equipment;
- d) safety critical equipment, e.g., guarding of industrial equipment;
- e) the health of the people around, e.g., the use of pacemakers and hearing aids;
- f) equipment used for calibration or measurement
- g) the immunity of other equipment in the environment. The user shall ensure that other equipment being used in the environment is compatible. This may require additional protection measures;
- h) the time of day that welding or other activities are to be carried out.

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The size of the surrounding area to be considered will depend on the structure of the building and other activities that are taking place. The surrounding area may extend beyond the boundaries of the premises.

Methods of Reducing Emissions

Mains Supply

Welding equipment should be connected to the mains supply according to the manufacturer's recommendations. If interference occurs, it may be necessary to take additional precautions such as filtering of the mains supply. Consideration should be given to shielding the supply cable of permanently installed welding equipment, in metallic conduit or equivalent. Shielding should be electrically continuous throughout its length. The shielding should be connected to the welding power source so that good electrical contact is maintained between the conduit and the welding power source enclosure.

Maintenance of the Welding Equipment

The welding equipment should be routinely maintained according to the manufacturer's recommendations. All access and service doors and covers should be closed and properly fastened when the welding equipment is in operation. The welding equipment should not be modified in any way except for those changes and adjustments covered in the manufacturers instructions. In particular, the spark gaps of arc striking and stabilizing devices should be adjusted and maintained according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

Welding Cables

The welding cables should be kept as short as possible and should be positioned close together, running at or close to floor level.

Equipotential Bonding

Bonding of all metallic components in the welding installation and adjacent to it should be considered. However, metallic components bonded to the work piece will increase the risk that the operator could receive a shock by touching these metallic components and the electrode at the same time. The operator should be insulated from all such bonded metallic components.

Earthing of the Workpiece

Where the workpiece is not bonded to earth for electrical safety, not connected to earth because of its size and position, e.g., ships hull or building steelwork, a connection bonding the workpiece to earth may reduce emissions in some, but not all instances. Care should be taken to prevent the earthing of the workpiece increasing the risk of injury to users, or damage to other electrical equipment. Where necessary, the connection of the workpiece to earth should be made by a direct connection to the workpiece, but in some countries where direct connection is not permitted, the bonding should be achieved by suitable capacitance, selected according to national regulations.

Screening and Shielding

Selective screening and shielding of other cables and equipment in the surrounding area may alleviate problems of interference. Screening of the entire welding installation may be considered for special applications.

Portions of the preceding text are contained in EN 60974-10: "Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) product standard for arc welding equipment."

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CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE POLICY

The business of our company is manufacturing and selling high quality welding equipment. Our challenge is to meet the needs of our customers and to exceed their expectations. On occasion, purchasers may ask us for advice or information about their use of our products. We respond to our customers based on the best information in our possession at that time. We are not in a position to warrant or guarantee such advice, and assume no liability, with respect to such information or advice. We expressly disclaim any warranty of any kind, including any warranty of fitness for any customer's particular purpose, with respect to such information or advice. As a matter of practical consideration, we also cannot assume any responsibility for updating or correcting any such information or advice once it has been given, nor does the provision of information or advice create, expand or alter any warranty with respect to the sale of our products.

We are a responsive manufacturer, but the selection and use of specific products sold by us is solely within the control of, and remains the sole responsibility of the customer. Many variables beyond our control affect the results obtained in applying these types of fabrication methods and service requirements.

Subject to Change – This information is accurate to the best of our knowledge at the time of printing.

Please Examine Carton and Equipment For Damage Immediately

When this equipment is shipped, title passes to the purchaser upon receipt by the carrier. Consequently, Claims for material damaged in shipment must be made by the purchaser against the transportation company at the time the shipment is received.

Please record your equipment identification information below for future reference. This information can be found on your machine nameplate.

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Product
Model Number
Code Number or Date Code (if available)
Serial Number (if available)
Date Purchased
Where Purchased
Whenever you request replacement parts or information on this equipment, always supply the information you have recorded above

Read this Operators Manual completely before attempting to use this equipment. Save this manual and keep it handy for quick reference. Pay particular attention to the safety instructions we have provided for your protection. The level of seriousness to be applied to each is explained below:

A WARNING

This statement appears where the information must be followed exactly to avoid serious personal injury or loss of life.

A CAUTION

This statement appears where the information must be followed to avoid minor personal injury or damage to this equipment.

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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION INVERTER ARC™ 120

INPUT - SINGLE PHASE ONLY Input Voltages 60 Hz. Rated Input Current						
		Rated Input Current				
120 vac ± 15	120Vac ± 15%		20 Amps @	Rati	ea Output	
Duty Cycle	Outpu	RA ut Amps	TED OUTPUT Output Volts		Input Circuit	
				+		
000/	704	(Cticle)	22.0.1/4-		420 \/a a	
20%	70A	(Stick)	22.8 Vdc		120 Vac	
			OUTPUT			
Output Output 5						
Output Current Rang	e	Maximum O	pen Circuit Voltage		Type of Output	
10-90 Amps		72 Volts Max.			DC	
RECOMMENDE	D INPUT W	IRE AND F	FUSE SIZES FOR M	ΙΑΧ	IMUM RATED OUTPUT	
INPUT VOLTAGE FREQUENCY (H	• ′					AXIMUM TIME-DELAY CIRCUIT EAKER OR FUSE SIZE (AMPS)
120/60		3 Conductor, 14 AWG		20		
PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS						
<u>Height</u>	Width		<u>Length</u>		Weight	
7.5 in. 190.5 mm	5.0 in. 127.0		10.9 in. 276.9 mm		Approx. 14.0 lbs. 6.4 kgs.	
TEMPERATURE RANGES						
OPERATING TEMPERATURE RANGE -10°C to +40°C STORAGE TEMPERATURE RANGE -25°C to +55°C						

Read entire installation section before starting installation.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

A WARNING



ELECTRIC SHOCK can kill.

- Only qualified personnel should perform this installation.
- Disconnect input power by removing plug from receptacle before working inside INVERTER ARC™ 120. Allow machine to sit for 5 minutes minimum to allow the power capacitors to discharge before working inside this equipment.
- Insulate yourself from the work and ground.
- · Always wear dry insulating gloves.
- Always connect the INVERTER ARC[™] 120 to a power supply grounded according to the National Electrical Code and local codes.

SELECT SUITABLE LOCATION

This machine can operate in harsh environments. However, it is important that simple preventative measures are followed to assure long life and reliable operation:

- This machine must be located where there is free circulation of clean air without restrictions for air movement to and from the air vents. Do not cover the machine with paper, cloth or rags when switched on.
- Dirt and dust that can be drawn into the machine should be kept to a minimum.
- This machine has a protection rating of IP21S.
 Keep it dry and do not place it on wet ground or in puddles. Do not use in wet or damp locations. Store indoors.
- Locate the machine away from radio controlled machinery. Normal operation may adversely affect the operation of nearby radio controlled machinery, which may result in injury or equipment damage. Read the section on electromagnetic compatibility in this manual.
- Do not operate in areas with an ambient temperature greater than 40°C.

STACKING

The INVERTER ARC™ 120 cannot be stacked.

TILTING

Place the machine directly on a secure, level surface. Do not place or operate this machine on a surface with an incline greater than 15° from horizontal. The machine may topple over if this procedure is not followed.

INPUT CONNECTIONS

GROUND CONNECTION

The frame of the welder must be grounded. A ground terminal marked with the symbol is located on the under panel for this purpose. See your local and national electrical codes for proper grounding methods.

A WARNING

A grounding conductor is supplied in the input cord, it is important that the supply receptacle ground is connected.

- The welding power source supply cable is provided with a green or yellow/green wire that must ALWAYS be earthed. This green or yellow/green wire must NEVER be used with other voltage conductors.
- Only install plugs that conform with safety regulations.

INPUT POWER CONNECTION

Check the input voltage, phase, and frequency supplied to this machine before turning it on. The allowable input voltage is indicated in the technical specification section of this manual and on the rating plate of the machine. Be sure that the machine is grounded.

Make sure the power available at the input connection is adequate for normal operation of the machine. The fuse rating and cable sizes are both indicated in the technical specification section of this manual.

Fuse the input circuit with time delay fuses marked "D" or delay type(1) circuit breakers. Using fuses or circuit breakers smaller than recommended may result in "nuisance" shut-offs from welder inrush currents even if not welding at high currents.

⁽¹⁾Also called "inverse time" or "thermal/magnetic" circuit breakers. These circuit breakers have a delay in tripping action that decreases as the magnitude of the current increases.

The INVERTER ARC™ 120 is recommended for use on an individual branch circuit.

120V INPUT FIGURE A.1

The INVERTER ARC[™] 120 is provided with a 120V cable, 6.0ft.(1.8m) in length, with a 15Amp 5-15P plug molded onto the cord.

The rated output of the INVERTER ARC™ 120 is available when connected to a 20A branch circuit. When connected to a branch circuit with lower ampacity, lower welding current and duty cycle must be used. An output guide is provided below. The values are approximate and must be adjusted downward if the fuse or circuit breaker trips off. Other loads on the circuit and fuse/circuit breaker characteristics will affect the available output. Do not exceed these welding conditions: (See Table A.1)

TABLE A.1

BRANCH CIRCUITS				
120V Input Output Current				
Plug	Branch	20% Duty	10% Duty	
Rating		Cycle	Cycle	
	15 Amp		60A	
15 Amp	20 Amp	70A	80A	

OUTPUT CONNECTIONS

A quick disconnect system using Twist-Mate[™] cable plugs is used for the welding cable connections.

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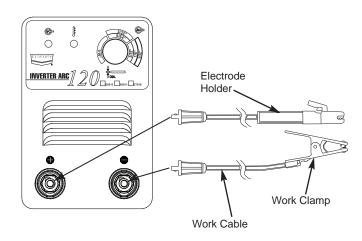


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- Keep the electrode holder and cable insulation in good condition.
- Do not touch electrically live parts or electrode with skin or wet clothing.
- · Insulate yourself from work and ground.
- Turn the input line Switch on the INVERTER ARC™ 120 "off" before connecting or disconnecting output cables or other equipment.

STICK WELDING (MMA)

Connect the electrode cable to the (+) terminal and the work clamp to the (-) terminal. Insert the connector with the key lining up with the keyway and rotate approximately 1/4 turn clockwise. Do not over tighten. (See Figure A.1)



Factory Installed

Electrical Holder and Cable Assembly Work Cable and Clamp Strap Packet Instruction Manual Read and understand this entire section before operating your machine.

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING



ELECTRIC SHOCK can kill.

- Do not touch electrically live parts such as output terminals or internal wiring.
- Insulate yourself from the work and ground.
- · Always wear dry insulating gloves.



FUMES AND GASES can be dangerous.

- Keep your head out of fumes.
- Use ventilation or exhaust to remove fumes from breathing zone.



WELDING, CUTTING and GOUGING SPARKS can cause fire or explosion

- · Keep flammable material away.
- Do not weld, cut or gouge on containers that have held combustibles.



ARC RAYS can burn.

Wear eye, ear and body protection.

Only qualified personnel should operate this equipment. Observe all safety information throughout this manual.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The INVERTER ARC[™] 120 is a 90 amp arc welding power source which utilizes single phase input power to produce constant current output. The welding response of this Inverter has been optimized for stick (SMAW) welding.

WELDING CAPABILITY

The INVERTER ARC™ 120 is rated at 70 amps, 22.8 volts, at 20% duty cycle on a ten minute basis. It is capable of higher duty cycles at lower output currents. If the duty cycle is exceeded, a thermal protector will shut off the output until the machine cools. See Table A.1 in the **INSTALLATION** Section for other rated outputs.

The INVERTER ARC™ 120 is recommended for the following Electrode Types and Diameters:

	Sizes (in.)			
Types	1/16	5/64	3/32	1/8
Fleetweld 37 (E6013)	Х	Х	Ø	-
Fleetweld 35 (E6011)	-	1	Х	Ø
Excalibur 7018 MR (E7018)	-	-	Ø	-

- **X** 15 Amp Branch circuit or greater required.
- Ø 20 Amp Branch circuit or greater required.

LIMITATIONS

The INVERTER ARC $^{\text{TM}}$ 120 is not recommended for pipe thawing.



CONTROLS AND OPERATIONAL FEATURES

FRONT CONTROL PANEL

(See Figure B.1)

- **1. Output Current Knob:** Potentiometer used to set the output current used during welding. Set the output according to the type and size of electrode.
- **2. Power LED:** After the Power Switch is turned on the LED will illuminate.
- 3. Thermal LED: This indicator will turn on when the machine is overheated and the output has been disabled. This normally occurs when the duty cycle of the machine has been exceeded. Leave the machine on to allow the internal components to cool. When the indicator turns off, normal operation is again possible.
- **4. Positive Quick Disconnect:** Positive output connector for the welding circuit.
- Negative Quick Disconnect: Negative output connector for the welding circuit.

REAR CONTROL PANEL

(See Figure B.2)

- Power Switch: It turns ON / OFF the input power to the machine.
- **7. Input cable:** This machine is provided with a plugged input cord. Connect it to the mains.
- 8. Fan



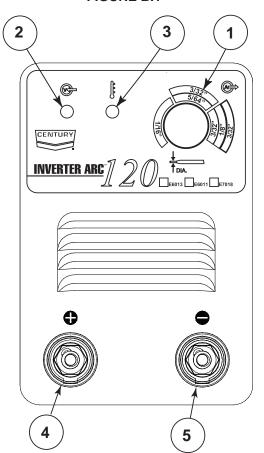
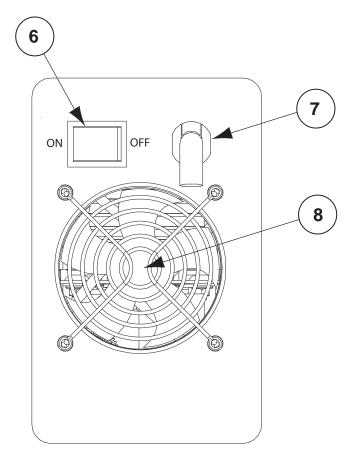


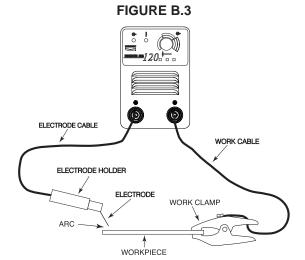
FIGURE B.2





ARC-WELDING CIRCUIT

(See Figure B.3)



Current flows through the electrode cable and electrode holder to the electrode and across the arc. On the work side of the arc, the current flows through the base metal to the work cable and back to the welding machine. The circuit must be complete for the current to flow.

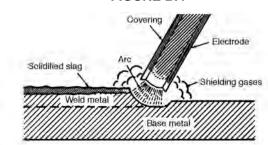
To weld, the work clamp must be tightly connected to clean base metal. Remove paint, rust, etc. as necessary to get a good connection. Connect the work clamp as close as possible to the area you wish to weld. Avoid allowing the welding circuit to pass through hinges, bearings, electronic components or similar devices that can be damaged.

An electric arc is made between the work and the end of a small metal rod, the electrode, which is clamped in a holder and the holder is held by the person doing the welding. A gap is made in the welding circuit (see Figure B.3) by holding the tip of the electrode 1/16-1/8" away from the work or base metal being welded. The electric arc is established in this gap and is held and moved along the joint to be welded, melting the metal as it is moved.

ELECTRIC ARC

(See Figure B.4)
Action that takes place in the electric arc.

FIGURE B.4



This figure closely resembles what is actually seen during welding. The "arc stream" is seen in the middle of the figure. This is the electric arc created by the electric current flowing through the space between the end of the electrode and the work.

The temperature of this arc is about 6000°F (3315°C), which is more than enough to melt metal. The arc is very bright, as well as hot, and cannot be looked at with the naked eye without risking painful injury. A very dark lens, specifically designed for arc welding, must be used with a hand or face shield whenever viewing the arc. The arc melts the base metal and actually digs into it, much as water through a nozzle on a garden hose digs into the earth. The molten metal forms a pool or crater and tends to flow away from the arc. As it moves away from the arc, it cools and solidifies. A slag forms on top of the weld to protect it during cooling.

The function of the covered electrode is much more than simply to carry current to the arc. The electrode is composed of a core rod of metal with an extruded chemical covering. The core rod melts in the arc and tiny droplets of molten metal shoot across the arc into the molten pool. The electrode provides additional filler metal for the joint to fill the groove or gap between the two pieces of the base metal. The covering also melts or burns in the arc. It has several functions. It makes the arc steadier, provides a shield of smoke-like gas around the arc to keep oxygen and nitrogen in the air away from the molten metal, and provides a flux for the molten pool. The flux picks up impurities and forms the protective slag.

MAKING A WELD

Insert the bare part of the electrode into the electrode holder jaws and connect the work clamp to the welding piece. Make sure to have good electrical contact.

- 1. Turn the welder on.
- 2. Lower your welding helmet to protect your face and eyes
- 3. Strike the electrode at the work point on the work-piece as if striking a match. Do not hit the electrode on the workpiece, which will damage the stick electrode and make striking an arc difficult. Scratch the electrode slowly over the metal and you will see sparks. While scratching, lift the electrode 1/8" (3.2mm) and the arc will establish.

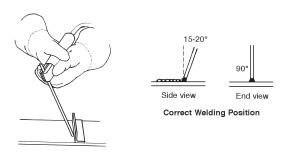
NOTE: If you stop moving the electrode while scratching, the electrode will stick.

NOTE: Most beginners try to strike the arc by a fast jabbing motion down on the plate. Result: They either stick or their motion is so fast that they break the arc immediately.



4. Immediately after striking the arc try to maintain a distance from the workpiece that is equivalent to the diameter of the electrode used. Maintain this distance as constantly as possible during the weld. Whenever possible, weld from left to right (if righthanded). Hold the electrode at a slight angle as shown. (See Figure B.5)

FIGURE B.5



- 5. As the electrode burns off the electrode must be fed to the work to maintain correct arc length. The easiest way to tell whether the arc has the correct length is by listening to its sound. A nice, short arc has a distinctive, "crackling" sound, very much like eggs frying in a pan. The incorrect, long arc has a hollow, blowing or hissing sound.
- 6. The important thing to watch while welding is the puddle of molten metal right behind the arc. Do NOT watch the arc itself. It is the appearance of the puddle and the ridge where the molten puddle solidifies that indicate correct welding speed. The ridge should be approximately 3/8" (9.5mm) behind the electrode. (See Figure B.6)

FIGURE B.6



Most beginners tend to weld too fast, resulting in a thin, uneven, "wormy" looking bead. They are not watching the molten metal.

IMPORTANT: For general welding it is not necessary to weave the arc; neither forwards and backwards nor sideways. Weld along at a steady pace. You will find it easier. NOTE: When welding on thin plate, you will find that you will have to increase the welding speed, whereas when welding on heavy plate, it is necessary to go more slowly in order to get good penetration.

- 7. Once the electrode is burned down move the electrode quickly from the weld to extinguish the arc.
- 8. Turn the machine off and remove the stub by opening the jaws of the electrode holder and insert a new electrode.

Note: The welded work piece and electrode stub are hot after welding. Allow them to cool down before touching or use pliers to move. Always make sure the welder is turned off before setting down the Electrode Holder.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

M WARNING



ELECTRIC SHOCK can kill.

- Have an electrician install and service this equipment.
- Turn the input power off at the fuse box, disconnect supply lines and allow machine to sit for five minutes minimum to allow the power capacitors to discharge before working inside this equipment.
- Do not touch electrically hot parts.

WARNING

Do not open this machine and do not introduce anything into its openings. Power supply must be disconnected from the machine before each maintenance and service. After each repair, perform proper tests to ensure safety.

A CAUTION

Power supply must be disconnected from the machine before each maintenance and service. Always use gloves in compliance with the safety standards.

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

The frequency of the maintenance operations may vary in accordance with the working environment. Any noticeable damage should be reported immediately.

- Check cables and connections integrity. Replace, if necessary.
- Clean the power source inside by means of low pressure compressed air.
- Keep the machine clean. Use a soft dry cloth to clean the external case, especially the airflow inlet / outlet louvers.

HOW TO USE TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

▲ WARNING

Service and Repair should only be performed by Factory Trained Personnel. Unauthorized repairs performed on this equipment may result in danger to the technician and machine operator and will invalidate your factory warranty. For your safety and to avoid Electrical Shock, please observe all safety notes and precautions detailed throughout this manual.

This Troubleshooting Guide is provided to help you locate and repair possible machine malfunctions. Simply follow the three-step procedure listed below.

Step 1. LOCATE PROBLEM (SYMPTOM).

Look under the column labeled "PROBLEM (SYMP-TOMS)". This column describes possible symptoms that the machine may exhibit. Find the listing that best describes the symptom that the machine is exhibiting.

Step 2. POSSIBLE CAUSE.

The second column labeled "POSSIBLE CAUSE" lists the obvious external possibilities that may contribute to the machine symptom.

Step 3. RECOMMENDED COURSE OF ACTION

This column provides a course of action for the Possible Cause, generally it states to contact your local Authorized Field Service Facility.

If you do not understand or are unable to perform the Recommended Course of Action safely, contact your local Authorized Field Service Facility.

A CAUTION

If for any reason you do not understand the test procedures or are unable to perform the tests/repairs safely, contact your **Local Authorized Field Service Facility** for technical troubleshooting assistance before you proceed.

Observe all Safety Guidelines detailed throughout this manual

POSSIBLE CAUSE	RECOMMENDED COURSE OF ACTION
WELDING PROBLEMS	
I nong Arc Length	Make sure the electrode holder is plugged into the positive "+" output terminal. Move the electrode closer into the
3. High Current.	weld joint. 3. Turn the output knob down.
Fast movement of the electrode away from the work piece.	Maintain a steady consistent arc length
1. Poor cleanliness.	Clean work piece with wire brush prior to wolding
Poor distribution of the welding passes.	prior to welding. 2. Consult a welding guide for proper weld bead placement.
1. High travel speed.	Travel at a slower speed.
2. Welding current is too low.	Adjust welding output higher.
1. Arc length is too short.	Move the electrode further away from the weld joint.
2. Welding current is too low.	2. Turn the output knob up.
Humidity in the electrode.	Store welding electrodes in a warm dry place.
2. Long arc length.	Move the electrode closer into the weld joint.
Weld current is set too high.	Turn the output knob down.
2. Dirty materials.	Clean work piece with wire brush prior to welding.
3. Hydrogen in the weld due to moisture.	
	WELDING PROBLEMS 1. Improper welding polarity. 2. Long Arc Length. 3. High Current. 1. Fast movement of the electrode away from the work piece. 1. Poor cleanliness. 2. Poor distribution of the welding passes. 1. High travel speed. 2. Welding current is too low. 1. Arc length is too short. 2. Welding current is too low. 1. Humidity in the electrode. 2. Long arc length. 1. Weld current is set too high. 2. Dirty materials. 3. Hydrogen in the weld due to mois-

A CAUTION

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Observe all Safety Guidelines detailed throughout this manual

PROBLEMS (SYMPTOMS)	POSSIBLE CAUSE	RECOMMENDED COURSE OF ACTION
ELECTRICA		
Machine fails to come on (Power LED off)	 No Input Voltage. Faulty supply plug or cable. Supply fuse blown or breaker tripped. 	
Thermal overload (Thermal LED on)	 Unit has been operated beyond its capacity rating. Airflow through machine is restricted ed or fan has failed. 	
The fan works, but the output current is unstable and can not be controlled by the potentiometer while welding is carried out.	tiometer, and replace it if neces-	If all recommended possible areas of misadjustment have been checked and the problem persists, Contact your local Authorized Field Service Facility.

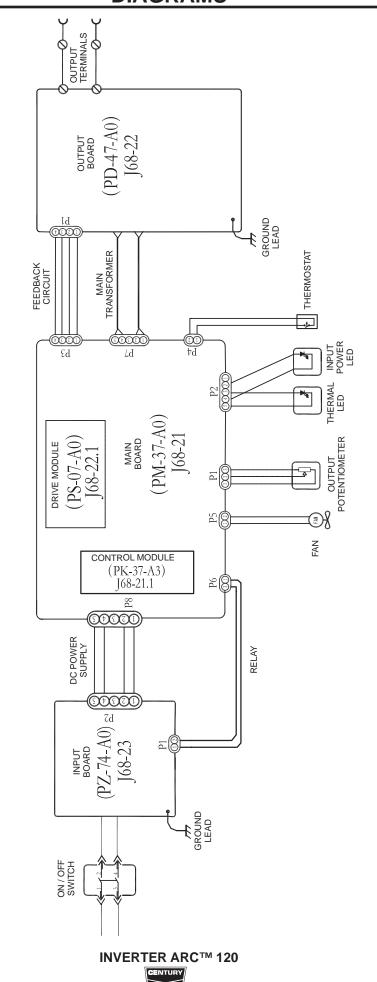
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WIRING DIAGRAM FOR CODE 11565

INVERTER ARC 120 - WIRING DIAGRAM



NOTE: This diagram is for reference only. It may not be accurate for all machines covered by this manual. The specific diagram for a particular code is pasted inside the machine on one of the enclosure panels. If the diagram is illegible, write to the Service Department for a replacement. Give the equipment code number.

WARNING	Do not touch electrically live parts or electrode with skin or wet clothing. Insulate yourself from work and ground.	Keep flammable materials away.	Wear eye, ear and body protection.
AVISO DE PRECAUCION	 No toque las partes o los electrodos bajo carga con la piel o ropa moja- da. Aislese del trabajo y de la tierra. 	 Mantenga el material combustible fuera del área de trabajo. 	 Protéjase los ojos, los oídos y el cuerpo.
ATTENTION	Ne laissez ni la peau ni des vête- ments mouillés entrer en contact avec des pièces sous tension. Isolez-vous du travail et de la terre.	Gardez à l'écart de tout matériel inflammable.	Protégez vos yeux, vos oreilles et votre corps.
WARNUNG	Berühren Sie keine stromführenden Teile oder Elektroden mit Ihrem Körper oder feuchter Kleidung! Isolieren Sie sich von den Elektroden und dem Erdboden!	Entfernen Sie brennbarres Material!	Tragen Sie Augen-, Ohren- und Kör- perschutz!
ATENÇÃO	Não toque partes elétricas e electrodos com a pele ou roupa molhada. Isole-se da peça e terra.	Mantenha inflamáveis bem guardados.	Use proteção para a vista, ouvido e corpo.
注意事項	通電中の電気部品、又は溶材にヒ フやぬれた布で触れないこと。施工物やアースから身体が絶縁されている様にして下さい。	燃えやすいものの側での溶接作業 は絶対にしてはなりません。	● 目、耳及び身体に保護具をして下さい。
Ehinese 警告	● 皮肤或濕衣物切勿接觸帶電部件及 銲條。● 使你自己與地面和工件絶認。	●把一切易燃物品移離工作場所。	●佩戴眼、耳及身體勞動保護用具。
Korean 위 험	 ● 전도체나 용접봉을 젖은 형겁 또는 피부로 절대 접촉치 마십시요. ● 모재와 접지를 접촉치 마십시요. 	●인화성 물질을 접근 시키지 마시요.	● 눈, 귀와 몸에 보호장구를 착용하십시요.
محذیر	 لا تلمس الإجزاء التي يسري فيها التيار الكهربائي أو الالكترود بجلد الجسم أو بالملابس المبللة بالماء. ضع عاز لا على جسمك خلال العمل. 	 ضع المواد القابلة للاشتعال في مكان بعيد. 	 صع أدوات وملابس واقية على عينيك وأذنيك وجسمك.

READ AND UNDERSTAND THE MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTION FOR THIS EQUIPMENT AND THE CONSUMABLES TO BE USED AND FOLLOW YOUR EMPLOYER'S SAFETY PRACTICES.

SE RECOMIENDA LEER Y ENTENDER LAS INSTRUCCIONES DEL FABRICANTE PARA EL USO DE ESTE EQUIPO Y LOS CONSUMIBLES QUE VA A UTILIZAR, SIGA LAS MEDIDAS DE SEGURIDAD DE SU SUPERVISOR.

LISEZ ET COMPRENEZ LES INSTRUCTIONS DU FABRICANT EN CE QUI REGARDE CET EQUIPMENT ET LES PRODUITS A ETRE EMPLOYES ET SUIVEZ LES PROCEDURES DE SECURITE DE VOTRE EMPLOYEUR.

LESEN SIE UND BEFOLGEN SIE DIE BETRIEBSANLEITUNG DER ANLAGE UND DEN ELEKTRODENEINSATZ DES HERSTELLERS. DIE UNFALLVERHÜTUNGSVORSCHRIFTEN DES ARBEITGEBERS SIND EBENFALLS ZU BEACHTEN.

A		
Turn power off before servicing.	Do not operate with panel open or guards off.	WARNING
Desconectar el cable de ali- mentación de poder de la máquina antes de iniciar cualquier servicio.	No operar con panel abierto o guardas quitadas.	AVISO DE PRECAUCION
Débranchez le courant avant l'entre- tien.	 N'opérez pas avec les panneaux ouverts ou avec les dispositifs de protection enlevés. 	ATTENTION
 Strom vor Wartungsarbeiten abschalten! (Netzstrom völlig öff- nen; Maschine anhalten!) 	 Anlage nie ohne Schutzgehäuse oder Innenschutzverkleidung in Betrieb setzen! 	WARNUNG
 Não opere com as tampas removidas. Desligue a corrente antes de fazer serviço. Não toque as partes elétricas nuas. 	Mantenha-se afastado das partes moventes. Não opere com os paineis abertos ou guardas removidas.	ATENÇÃO
メンテナンス・サービスに取りか かる際には、まず電源スイッチを 必ず切って下さい。	パネルやカバーを取り外したままで機械操作をしないで下さい。	注意事項
● 維修前切斷電源。	■ (機表板打開或沒有安全罩時不準作 要。	Chinese 警告
● 보수전에 전원을 차단하십시요.	● 판넽이 열린 상태로 작동치 마십시요.	^{Korean} 위 험
 اقطع التوار الكهربائي قبل القيام بأية صبالة. 	 لا تشغل هذا الجهاز اذا كانت الإغطية الحديدية الواقية ليست عليه. 	تحذير
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使う機械や溶材のメーカーの指示書をよく読み、まず理解して下さい。そして責社の安全規定に従って下さい。

請詳細閱讀並理解製造廠提供的説明以及應該使用的銀捍材料,並請遵守貴方的有関勞動保護規定。

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